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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF MARCH 28, 2003**

The comments of the Examiner set forth in the Final office action dated March 28, 2003 have been carefully studied, and Applicant submits the following remarks in response thereto.

**REMARKS**

At the outset, Applicant questions whether the amendments of December 2, 2002 have been entered. In a response submitted on that date, Applicant amended claims 1 and 8 from "determining the distance between two selected points associated with a radiographic imager," to "determining the distance between an x-ray source and an image receptor." However, the Examiner's rejection states that "Badano discloses a radiographic imager having a measuring device for determining the distance between two selected points," language from the claims as filed, not as amended. The x-ray source and image receptor are explicit limitations of the claims, and cannot be ignored. "All words in a claim must be considered in judging the patentability of that claim against

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